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FOR: SMITHSTONIAN OBSERVATORY CAMBRIDGE MASS.

E.O. 11652: NA.

TAGS: TGEN (SMALL FISH THAT HAVE RAINED FROM THE SKY)

SUBJECT: SHORT LIVED PHENOMENA.

REF: CANBERRA'S 1528.

FOLLOWING INFOR OBTAINED IN RESPONSE SMITHSONIAN QUERY:

1. OCCURRED DURING TROPICAL LOW PRESSURE STORMS IN LATE FEBRUARY AND EARLY MARCH.
2. MR. BILL TAPP, OWNER OF KILLARNEY STATION, REPORTS ABOUT 150 FISH RAINED WITHIN ONE QUARTER SQUARE MILE AREA NEAR HOMESTEAD.
3. GENERAL LOCAL OPINION IS THAT FISH WERE PERCH. SOME DOUBTS WHETHER SALT OR FRESH WATER VARIETY. LENGTH 2 TO 3 INCHES.
4. SPECULATION WATERSPOUT EFFECT WHICH VIRTUALLY DRAGS UP WATER, WHICH IS PUSHED OVERLAND BY WINDS TO FALL AS RAIN.
5. MR. TAPP BELIEVE THERE COULD HAVE BEEN FALLS ABOUT 40 MILES FROM HOMESTEAD.
6. MR. TAPP STATED THIS IS RELATIVELY REGULAR OCCURRENCE

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DURING STORMY SEASON. SOME AREAS OF NORTHERN TERRITORY

AND PARTS OF NORTHERN QUEENSLAND EXPERIENCE SOMETHING LIKE
THIS EACH YEAR.

7. LETTER FOLLOWS.
FRIEDMAN

NOTE BY OC/T: PASSED ABOVE ADDRESSEE.

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